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Chapter II
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Committee
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Review of Membership of CIA Subcommittees

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 7.

2. We have reviewed the membership of the four Committees of the Congress of primary concern to the Agency in light of the elections and other factors. For ready reference there is attached a listing of the full Committee membership of the four Committees as of the 88th Congress. In the attachments the names of the individuals retired, deceased or defeated are lined through. Members of CIA Subcommittees are underscored. The four attachments are:

Tab A - Senate Appropriations Committee
Tab B - Senate Armed Services Committee
Tab C - House Appropriations Committee
Tab D - House Armed Services Committee

3. On the Senate Appropriations there is only one change, that is the deletion of Senator Humphrey. Thus, there is no effect on the CIA Subcommittee. Further, it is assumed meetings of this Subcommittee will continue to be held jointly with Senate Armed Services Subcommittee under the leadership of Senator Russell.

4. On the Senate Armed Services Committee there are no changes which directly affect the Agency. It appears probable that Senator Thurmond will be placed by the Republicans on this Committee particularly since there are two vacancies on the Republican side, those of J. Glenn Beall and Barry Goldwater. As of now it would seem that Senators Howard Cannon and Stephen Young have won their respective races.

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5. Prior to the end of the 88th Congress Mr. Mahon had already assumed the chairmanship of the House Appropriations Committee upon the death of Mr. Cannon. Mr. Sheppard of our Subcommittee has retired. It had been the general practice for the membership of the CIA Subcommittee to be selected from the senior members of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee. However, with the retirement of Mr. Taber two years ago, it was deemed appropriate by the Chairman to select in a different fashion and he reached out for Representative Bow who was the ranking minority member of the State Department Subcommittee. Thus, there are two vacancies to be filled on the CIA Subcommittee. If the old precedent of selecting from senior members of the Defense Subcommittee were followed this would bring into line Robert L. F. Sikes of Florida and Jamie L. Whitten of Mississippi. Both are intensely interested in national security matters and our experience would lead us to believe that both would become staunch supporters of the Agency if they were fully briefed on Agency activities. If the DOD Subcommittee precedent were not followed and if the State Department Subcommittee precedent were followed, as in the case of Mr. Bow, this would bring into consideration John J. Rooney who is Chairman of the State Department Subcommittee and Sikes who is the next senior. In any event the question of replacements is believed to be a matter which should be discussed carefully with Mr. Mahon to ascertain his views. As a matter of information, Mr. Mahon has made it clear that he intends to hold considerably more detailed hearings on the Agency budget and has stated he would like to start these hearings as soon as possible after the convening of the 89th Congress.

6. With the numerous changes in the House Armed Services there are a number of possibilities.

a. On the Republican side Mr. Osmer who has served on our Subcommittee was defeated and I would suggest as an excellent replacement Mr. William H. Bates. He is the senior minority member after Leslie Arends. Also during the hearings on the CIA retirement bill, Mr. Bates exhibited an intense interest in the Agency and intelligence generally and was a strong advocate of the Agency's viewpoint.

b. With the retirement of Mr. Vinson, Mr. Rivers, of course, assumes the chairmanship. It is anticipated that there will be numerous changes of Subcommittee Chairmen who last year were Rivers, Philbin and Hebert, respectively, chairing Subcommittees No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3. Other chairmanships

were: Porter Hardy, Subcommittee on Special Investigations; Arthur Winstead (now defeated), Special Subcommittee on Real Estate and Construction; Melvin Price, Special Subcommittee on Research and Development; and L. Mendel Rivers, Special Subcommittee on National Military Airlift. Mr. Vinson chaired the CIA Subcommittee. We believe that under the circumstances it would be to the Agency's interest if Mr. Rivers were to assign the chairmanship of the CIA Subcommittee to someone down the line. Mr. Hebert is the next senior after Rivers on our Subcommittee and generally is highly regarded. However, he undoubtedly will have even heavier responsibilities in the next Congress with Rivers as Chairman of the full Committee. Therefore, the next in line, Mr. Price is suggested. Mr. Price has evidenced a strong interest in the Agency and has indicated his strong beliefs that the CIA Subcommittee should be far more active. Mr. Price is a responsible and capable Congressman and should make an excellent CIA Subcommittee Chairman.

c. With the defeat of George Huddleston, a member of our Subcommittee, there will be one Democratic vacancy. Mr. Stratton is suggested as a replacement. Mr. Stratton has had intelligence experience during World War II and on several occasions, including the hearings on the early retirement bill, has evidenced his interest in intelligence generally and the Agency particularly. Stratton is regarded as a responsible and capable individual and should make an excellent addition.

7. I recommend that at the earliest opportunity the House Armed Services situation be discussed directly with Mr. Rivers by Mr. Warner and such other indirect steps be taken as seem appropriate after that discussion. The question of replacement on House Appropriations can await Mr. Mahon's return. On the Senate side there appears to be no action necessary. (2 NOV 64)

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Attachment 4

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Distribution:

The recommendation in paragraph 7 is approved.

JOHN S. WARNER
Legislative Counsel

JOHN A. McCONE

Director

Date

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Clifford P. Case (R., N. J.)

* Thurmond - It appears probable that Thurmond will be granted a seat on the Republican side

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* - Elected to the Senate

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